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- Between 1944 and 1947 supplies of penicillin were imported by the Standard Wholesale Pharmacy of Bucharest, and further supplies arrived through welfare organizations. After 1947, however, when pharmacies were nationalized, a certain quantity of very low quality penicillin of Soviet origin was placed on the market for a period of two or three months. It can still be found on the black market at about seven to eight times the officially imposed price.
- Aspirin, antipyrine and similar drugs are manufactured at the Cantacuzino Institute in Bucharest, which also has factories at Brasov, Sibiu and Timisoara. They are of poor quality because of the lack of raw materials.
- Anti-biotics are manufactured at the Cantacuzino and Babes Institutes. The manager of Babes Institute is Dr. E. Craciun. He is briefed by Dr. Ion Anghelescu of the Cantacuzino Institute. Both of these Institutes have been nationalized.
- Machinery of the type used for the production of these chemicals is not manufactured in Rumania.

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